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This paper responds to the Final Office Action dated June 5, 2006, and should be considered with Applicant's Petition for Revival of an Unintentionally Abandoned Application ("Petition for Revival") that was filed February 15, 2007.

On February 15, 2007, Applicant filed the Petition for Revival with the required small entity petition fee (\$750.00). The Petition for Revival is still pending. A reply to the June 5, 2006, final Office Action was not concurrently filed with the Petition for Revival because Applicant did not receive a copy of the June 5, 2006, Action and, despite several attempts to

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obtain a courtesy copy of the Action from the Patent Office, a copy of the Action was not faxed to Applicant until February 27, 2007. In addition, Applicant was unable to access a copy of the June 5, 2006, Action online. In view of the above circumstances, it is believed that this response is timely filed and no extension fees are required in connection with the filing of this document.

Should, however, any fees be required for any reason in connection with the filing of this document, the Office is authorized to deduct the appropriate small entity fee(s) from Fulbright & Jaworski LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1212/FIFW:019US/MCB.

Favorable reconsideration of the application is requested.

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